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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 16-121.01, 16-152, 16-165, 16-168, 16-242, 16-311, 16-312, 16-341, 16-466, 16-584, 16-592, 16-664, 16-913 AND 16-917, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ELECTIONS AND ELECTORS.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 16-121.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

16-121.01. Requirements for proper registration

- A. A person is presumed to be properly registered to vote on completion of a registration form as prescribed by section 16-152 that contains at least the name, the residence address or the location, the date of birth and the signature or other statement of the registrant as prescribed by section 16-152, subsection A, paragraph 20 AND A CHECKMARK OR OTHER APPROPRIATE INDICATOR THAT THE PERSON ANSWERED "YES" TO THE QUESTION Beginning on December 1, 2003, The completed REGARDING CITIZENSHIP. registration form must also contain the person's Arizona driver license number, the nonoperating identification license number issued pursuant to section 28-3165, the last four digits of the person's social security number or the unique identifying number assigned by the secretary of state pursuant to section 16-168 THE PERSON'S AFFIRMATION THAT IF AN ARIZONA DRIVER LICENSE NUMBER, NONOPERATING IDENTIFICATION LICENSE NUMBER OR THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THE PERSON'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER IS NOT PROVIDED, THE PERSON DOES NOT POSSESS A VALID ARIZONA DRIVER OR NONOPERATING IDENTIFICATION LICENSE OR A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AND THE PERSON IS HEREBY REQUESTING THAT A UNIQUE IDENTIFYING NUMBER BE ASSIGNED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-152, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 12, SUBDIVISION (c).
- B. The presumption in subsection A of this section may be rebutted only by clear and convincing evidence of any of the following:
- 1. That the registrant is not the person whose name appears on the register.
- 2. That the registrant has not resided in this state for twenty-nine days next preceding the election or other event for which the registrant's status as properly registered is in question.
- 3. That the registrant is not properly registered at an address permitted by section 16-121.
- 4. That the registrant is not a qualified registrant under section 16–101.
 - Sec. 2. Section 16–152, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-152. Registration form
 - A. The form used for the registration of electors shall contain:
 - 1. The date the registrant signed the form.
- 2. The REGISTRANT'S given name of the registrant, middle name, if any, and surname.
- 3. THE complete address of THE REGISTRANT'S actual place of residence, including street name and number, apartment or space number, city or town and zip code, or such description of the location of the residence that it can be readily ascertained or identified.

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- 4. THE REGISTRANT'S complete mailing address, if different from THE residence address, including post office address, city or town, zip code or other designation used by the registrant for receiving mail.
 - 5. THE REGISTRANT'S party preference.
 - 6. THE REGISTRANT'S telephone number, unless unlisted.
 - 7. THE REGISTRANT'S state or country of birth.
 - 8. THE REGISTRANT'S date of birth.
 - 9. THE REGISTRANT'S occupation.
 - 10. THE REGISTRANT'S Indian census number (optional to registrant).
 - 11. THE REGISTRANT'S father's name or mother's maiden name.
- 12. Beginning on December 1, 2003, One of the following identifiers for each registrant:
- (a) The Arizona driver license number of the registrant or nonoperating identification license number of the registrant that is issued pursuant to section 28-3165, if the license is current and valid.
- (b) If the registrant does not have a current and valid Arizona driver license or nonoperating identification license, the last four digits of the registrant's social security number.
- (c) If the registrant does not have a current and valid Arizona driver license or nonoperating identification license or a social security number AND THE REGISTRANT ATTESTS TO THAT, a unique identifying number consisting of the registrant's unique identification number TO BE assigned by the secretary of state in the statewide electronic voter registration database.
- 13. A statement as to whether or not the registrant is currently registered in another state, county or precinct, and if so, the name, address, county and state of previous registration.
- 14. The question to the registrant "Are you a citizen of the United States of America?", appropriate boxes for the registrant to check "yes" or "no" and the statement "if you checked 'no' in response to this question, do not complete this form".
- 15. The question to the registrant "Will you be eighteen years of age on or before election day?", appropriate boxes for the registrant to check "yes" or "no" and the statement "if you checked 'no' in response to this question, do not complete this form".
- 16. A statement that the registrant has not been convicted of treason or a felony, or if so, that the registrant's civil rights have been restored.
- 17. A statement that the registrant is a resident of this state and of the county in which the registrant is registering.
- 18. A statement that executing a false registration is a class 6 felony.
 - 19. The signature of the registrant.
- 20. If the registrant is unable to sign the form, a statement that the affidavit was completed according to the registrant's direction.

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- 21. A statement that if an applicant declines to register to vote, the fact that the applicant has declined to register will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.
- 22. A statement that if an applicant does register to vote, the office at which the applicant submits a voter registration application will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.
- B. A duplicate voter receipt shall be provided with the form that provides space for the name, street address and city of residence of the applicant, party preference and the date of signing. The voter receipt is evidence of valid registration for the purpose of casting a provisional ballot as prescribed in section 16-584, subsection B.
- C. The state voter registration form shall be printed in a form prescribed by the secretary of state.
- D. The county recorder may establish procedures to verify whether a registrant has successfully petitioned the court for an injunction against harassment pursuant to section 12-1809 or an order of protection pursuant to section 12-1810 or 13-3602 and, if verified, to protect the registrant's residence address, telephone number or voting precinct number, if appropriate, from public disclosure.
 - Sec. 3. Section 16-165, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-165. Causes for cancellation
 - A. The county recorder shall cancel a registration:
 - 1. At the request of the person registered.
- 2. When the county recorder knows of the death of the person registered.
- 3. If the person has been adjudicated an incapacitated person as defined in section 14-5101.
- 4. When the person registered has been convicted of a felony, and the judgment of conviction has not been reversed or set aside. The county recorder shall cancel the registration on receipt of notice of a felony conviction from the court or from the secretary of state or when reported by the elector on a signed juror questionnaire that is completed pursuant to section 21-314.
- 5. Upon production of a certified copy of a judgment directing a cancellation to be made.
- 6. Promptly after the election if the person registered has applied for a ballot pursuant to section 16-126.
- 7. When a person has been on the inactive voter list and has not voted during the time periods prescribed in section 16-166, subsection C.
- 8. When the county recorder receives written information from the person registered that the person has a change of residence within the county and the person does not complete and return a new registration form within thirty-five TWENTY-NINE days after the county recorder mails notification of the need to complete and return a new registration form with current information.

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- 9. When the county recorder receives written information from the person registered that the person has a change of address outside the county.
- B. If the county recorder cancels a registration pursuant to subsection A, paragraph 8 of this section, the county recorder shall send the person notice that his THE registration has been cancelled and a registration form with the information described in section 16-131, subsection C attached to the form.
- C. When proceedings are had in the superior court resulting OR THE DISTRICT COURT RESULT in a person being declared incapable of taking care of himself and managing his property, and for whom a guardian of his THE person and estate is appointed, or resulting RESULT in such person being committed as an insane person, or resulting RESULT in a person being convicted of a felony, the clerk of the superior court in the county in which such THOSE proceedings were had OCCURRED shall file with the appropriate county recorder a certificate SECRETARY OF STATE AN OFFICIAL NOTICE of such THAT fact,. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY RECORDER and the recorder shall cancel the name of the person upon the register. Such certificate NOTICE shall name the person covered, shall give his THE PERSON'S date and place of birth if available, his THE PERSON'S social security number, if available, his THE PERSON'S usual place of residence, and his THE PERSON'S address AND THE DATE OF THE NOTICE, and shall be filed with the recorder of the county where the person last resided.
- D. Each month the department of health services shall transmit to the appropriate county recorder SECRETARY OF STATE without charge a record of the death of every resident of his county THE STATE sixteen years of age and older reported to the department within the preceding month. This record shall include only the name of the decedent, his THE DECEDENT'S date of birth, his THE DECEDENT'S social security number, if available, his THE DECEDENT'S usual legal residence at the time of his death and, if available, the decedent's father's name or his mother's maiden name. The record shall be used by the county recorder SECRETARY OF STATE for the sole purpose of removing CANCELLING the names of deceased persons from the register STATEWIDE REGISTRATION DATABASE. Public access to the records prohibited. Use of information from the records for purposes other than those required by this section is prohibited. The recorder shall promptly cancel the name of each deceased person SHALL PROMPTLY BE CANCELLED from the register STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION DATABASE AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY RECORDER AND THE RECORDER SHALL CANCEL THE NAME OF THE PERSON FROM THE REGISTER.
 - Sec. 4. Section 16-168, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-168. Precinct registers: date of preparation; contents; copies; reports; statewide database; violation; classification

A. By the tenth day preceding the primary and general elections the county recorder shall prepare from the original registration forms or from

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electronic media at least four lists that are printed or typed on paper of all qualified electors in each precinct in the county, and $\overline{\text{such}}$ THE lists shall be the official precinct registers.

- B. The official precinct registers for use at the polling place shall contain at least the names in full, party preference, date of registration and residence address of each qualified elector in the respective precincts. Such THE names shall be in alphabetical order and, in a column to the left of the names, such names shall be numbered consecutively beginning with number 1 in each precinct register.
- C. For THE purposes of transmitting voter registration information as prescribed by this subsection, computer generated disks or computer software with at least six hundred forty megabytes of storage in counties with a population over five hundred thousand in the last decennial census shall be the principal media. A county or state chairman who is eligible to receive copies of precinct registers LISTS as prescribed by this subsection may request that the recorder provide a paper copy of the precinct registers LISTS. The county recorder shall, in addition to preparing the official precinct registers LISTS, SHALL provide a means for mechanically or electronically reproducing the precinct registers LISTS and shall unless otherwise agreed SHALL deliver within eight days after the close of registration for the primary and general elections, without charge, on the same day one electronic media copy of each precinct register LIST within the county to the county chairman and one electronic media copy to the state chairman of each party which THAT has at least four candidates other than presidential electors appearing upon the ballot in that county at the current election. The county recorder shall also DELIVER, upon request and without charge, deliver one electronic media copy of the precinct register LIST to the Arizona legislative council. The county recorder of a county with a population of fewer than four hundred thousand persons, on the same day precinct registers LISTS are delivered to county chairmen, shall deliver one electronic media copy of each precinct register LIST within the county to the state chairman of each party which THAT has at least four candidates other than presidential electors appearing on the ballot in this state at the current election. The copies of the precinct registers LISTS shall be on magnetic computer disks or computer software with at least six hundred forty megabytes of storage which shall include for each elector the following information:
 - 1. Name in full and appropriate title.
 - 2. Party preference.
 - 3. Date of registration.
 - 4. Residence address.
 - 5. Mailing address, if different from residence address.
 - 6. Zip code.
 - 7. Telephone number if given.
 - 8. Birth year.

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- 10. Primary election and general election voting history for the prior four years and any other information regarding registered voters which the county recorder or city or town clerk maintains on magnetic computer disks or computer software and which is public information.
- D. The names on the precinct registers LISTS shall be in alphabetical order and the precinct registers LISTS in their entirety, shall unless otherwise agreed, SHALL be delivered to each county chairman and each state chairman at least quarterly and within ten business days of the close of each quarter in the same format and media as prescribed by subsection C of this section.
- Precinct registers and other lists and information derived from Ε. registration forms may be used only for purposes relating to a political or political party activity, a political campaign or an election, for revising election district boundaries or for any other purpose specifically authorized by law and may not be used for a commercial purpose as defined in section 39-121.03. The sale of registers, lists and information derived from registration forms to a candidate or a registered political committee for a use specifically authorized by this subsection does not constitute use for a commercial purpose. The county recorder, on a request for an authorized use and within thirty days from receipt of the request, shall prepare additional copies of an official precinct register LIST and furnish them to any person requesting them on payment of a fee equal to five cents for each name appearing on the register for a printed list and ten cents for each name for an electronic data medium, plus the cost of the blank computer disk or computer software if furnished by the recorder, for each copy so furnished.
- F. Any person in possession of a precinct register OR LIST, in whole or part, or any reproduction of a precinct register OR LIST, shall not permit the register OR LIST to be used, bought, sold or otherwise transferred for any purpose except for uses otherwise authorized by this section. A person in possession of information derived from voter registration forms or precinct registers shall not distribute, post or otherwise provide access to any portion of that information through the internet except as authorized by subsection J of this section. Nothing in this section shall preclude public inspection of voter registration records at the office of the county recorder for the purposes prescribed by this section, except that the month and day of birth date, the social security number or any portion thereof, the driver license number or nonoperating identification license number, the unique identifying number prescribed by this section, the Indian census number, the father's name or mother's maiden name, the state or country of birth and the records containing a voter's signature shall not be accessible or reproduced by any person other than the voter, by an authorized government official in the scope of the official's duties, for signature verification on petitions and candidate filings, for election purposes and for news gathering purposes by a person engaged in newspaper, radio, television or reportorial work, or

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connected with or employed by a newspaper, radio or television station or pursuant to a court order. Any A person violating WHO VIOLATES this subsection or subsection E of this section is guilty of a class 6 felony.

- G. The county recorder shall count the registered voters by political party by precinct, legislative district and congressional district as follows:
- 1. In even numbered years, the county recorder shall count all persons who are registered to vote as of:
 - (a) January 1.
 - (b) March 1.
- (c) The last day on which a person may register to be eligible to vote in the next primary election.
- (d) The last day on which a person may register to be eligible to vote in the next general election.
- (e) The last day on which a person may register to be eligible to vote in the next presidential preference election.
- 2. In odd numbered years, the county recorder shall count all persons who are registered to vote as of:
 - (a) January 1.
 - (b) April 1.
 - (c) July 1.
 - (d) October 1.
- H. The county recorder shall report the totals to the secretary of state as soon as is practicable following each of the dates prescribed in subsection G of this section. The report shall include completed registration forms returned in accordance with section 16-134, subsection B. The county recorder shall also provide the report in a uniform electronic computer media format that shall be agreed upon between the secretary of state and all county recorders. The secretary of state shall then prepare a summary report for the state and shall maintain that report as a permanent record.
- I. Until the statewide voter registration database is implemented and operational as prescribed by subsection K of this section, the county recorder shall provide to the secretary of state a list of registered voters in the county, including the voter's name, date of birth and state of birth along with the count of registered voters pursuant to subsection G of this section. The list of registered voters is a public record, except as prescribed by subsection F of this section, and shall be in a format agreed upon between the secretary of state and each county recorder. The list shall be labeled to show that it is not an official listing of registered voters. The secretary of state shall compare the lists to identify persons registered in more than one county, the secretary of state shall notify, within fifteen days after receipt of the list, the county recorder in each county in which the person registered except the county recorder in the county in which the person registered last.

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The notice shall include the date of the person's latest registration. After receiving this notice the county recorder shall cancel the person's registration as of the date of the newest registration and notify the person of the cancellation at the address provided by the secretary of state from the county of the latest registration.

- J. I. The county recorder AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE shall protect access to voter registration information in an auditable format and method specified in the secretary of state's electronic voting system instructions and procedures manual that is adopted pursuant to section 16-452.
- K. J. The secretary of state shall develop and administer a statewide database of voter registration information that contains the name and registration information of every registered voter in this state. database shall include an identifier that is unique for each individual voter. The database shall provide for access by voter registration officials and shall allow expedited entry of voter registration information after it is received by county recorders. AS A PART OF THE STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION DATABASE. COUNTY RECORDERS SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMITTAL OF THAT INFORMATION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON A DAILY BASIS. The secretary of state shall provide for maintenance of the database, including provisions regarding removal of ineligible voters that are consistent with the national voter registration act of 1993 (42 United States Code section 394) and the help America vote act of 2002 (P.L. 107-252), provisions regarding removal of duplicate registrations and provisions to ensure that eligible voters are not removed in error.
- t. K. For requests for the use of registration forms and access to information as provided in subsections E and F of this section, the following apply:
- 1. The secretary of state shall receive and respond to requests regarding statewide and federal elections.
- 2. the county recorder shall receive and respond to requests regarding all other FEDERAL, STATE AND COUNTY elections.
 - Sec. 5. Section 16-242, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-242. Qualifications for ballot; nomination paper
- A. A person seeking nomination as a candidate for the office of president of the United States shall sign and cause to be filed with the secretary of state a nomination paper that contains the following information:
 - 1. The name, residence address and mailing address of the candidate.
- 2. The name of the recognized political party from which the person seeks nomination.
- 3. The name and address of the chairman of the candidate's state committee.
- 4. The exact manner for printing the candidate's name on the presidential preference ballot pursuant to section 16-311.

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- B. The nomination paper shall be filed not less than forty days nor more than seventy days before the presidential preference election and not later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day for filing.
- C. A person seeking nomination as a candidate for the office of president shall also cause to be filed with the secretary of state a copy of those documents that indicate that the person has qualified with the federal election commission for primary matching monies as a candidate for president. These documents shall be filed with the nomination paper. A person who is not qualified for primary matching monies is not eligible to be a candidate in the presidential preference election. Section 16-351 does not apply to a nomination paper filed pursuant to this section.
- D. Within seventy-two hours after the close of filing the secretary of state shall certify to the officer in charge of elections the names of the candidates who are qualified for the presidential preference election ballot.
 - Sec. 6. Section 16-311, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-311. Nomination papers; filing; definitions
- A. Any person desiring to become a candidate at a primary election for a political party and to have the person's name printed on the official ballot shall be a qualified elector of such party and shall, not less than ninety nor more than one hundred twenty days before the primary election, SHALL sign and cause to be filed a nomination paper giving the person's actual residence address or description of place of residence and post office address, naming the party of which the person desires to become a candidate, stating the office and district or precinct, if any, for which the person offers the person's candidacy, stating the exact manner in which the person desires to have the person's name printed on the official ballot pursuant to subsection G, and giving the date of the primary election and, if nominated, the date of the general election at which the person desires to become a candidate. A candidate for public office shall be a qualified elector at the time of filing and shall reside in the county, district or precinct which the person proposes to represent.
- B. Any person desiring to become a candidate at any nonpartisan election and to have the person's name printed on the official ballot shall be at the time of filing a qualified elector of such county, city, town or district and, not less than ninety nor more than one hundred twenty days before the election, shall sign and cause to be filed a nomination paper giving the person's actual residence address or description of place of residence and post office address, stating the office and county, city, town or district and ward or precinct, if any, for which the person offers the person's candidacy, stating the exact manner in which the person desires to have the person's name printed on the official ballot pursuant to subsection G and giving the date of the election. A candidate for office shall reside at the time of filing in the county, city, town, district, ward or precinct which the person proposes to represent.

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- C. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection B to the contrary, any city or town may adopt by ordinance for its elections the time frame provided in subsection A for filing nomination petitions. Such ordinance shall be adopted not less than one hundred twenty days before the first election to which it applies.
- D. All persons desiring to become a candidate shall file with the nomination paper provided for in subsection A an affidavit which shall be printed in a form prescribed by the secretary of state. The affidavit shall include facts sufficient to show that, other than the residency requirement provided in subsection A, the candidate will be qualified at the time of election to hold the office the person seeks.
- E. The nomination paper of a candidate for the office of United States senator or representative in Congress, for the office of presidential elector or for a state office, including a member of the legislature, or for any other office for which the electors of the entire state or a subdivision of the state greater than a county are entitled to vote, shall be filed with the secretary of state no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last date for filing.
- F. The nomination paper of a candidate for superior court judge or for a county, district and precinct office for which the electors of a county or a subdivision of a county other than an incorporated city or town are entitled to vote shall be filed with the county elections officer no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last date for filing as prescribed by subsection A. The nomination paper of a candidate for a city or town office shall be filed with the city or town clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last date for filing. The nomination paper of a candidate for school district office shall be filed with the county school superintendent no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last date for filing.
- G. The nomination paper shall include the exact manner in which the candidate desires to have the person's name printed on the official ballot and shall be limited to the candidate's surname and given name or names, an abbreviated version of such names or appropriate initials such as "Bob" for "Robert", "Jim" for "James", "Wm." for "William" or "S." for "Samuel". Nicknames are permissible, but in no event shall nicknames, abbreviated versions or initials of given names suggest reference to professional, fraternal, religious or military titles. No other descriptive name or names shall be printed on the official ballot, except as provided in this section. Candidates' abbreviated names or nicknames may be printed within quotation marks. The candidate's surname shall be printed first, followed by the given name or names.
- H. A person who does not file a timely nomination paper that complies with this section is not eligible to have the person's name printed on the official ballot for that office. The filing officer shall not accept the nomination paper of a candidate for state or local office unless it is accompanied by THE PERSON PROVIDES OR HAS PROVIDED all of the following:
 - 1. The nomination petition required by this title.

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- 2. A political committee statement of organization or the five hundred dollar threshold exemption statement FOR THAT OFFICE.
- 3. The financial disclosure statement as prescribed for candidates for that office.
 - I. As used in FOR THE PURPOSES OF this title:
- 1. "Election district" means the state, any county, city, town, precinct or other political subdivision or a special district which is not a political subdivision, which is authorized by statute to conduct an election and which is authorized or required to conduct its election in accordance with this title.
- 2. "Nomination paper" means the form filed with the appropriate office by a person wishing to declare the person's intent to become a candidate for a particular political office.
 - Sec. 7. Section 16-312, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-312. Filing of nomination papers for write-in candidates
- A. Any person desiring to become a write-in candidate for an elective office in any election shall file a nomination paper, signed by the candidate, giving the person's actual residence address or description of place of residence and post office address, age, length of residence in the state and date of birth.
- B. A write-in candidate shall file the nomination paper no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fortieth day prior to the election, except that a candidate running as a write-in candidate as provided in section 16-343, subsection D, shall file the nomination paper no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth day before the election. The write-in filing procedure shall be in the same manner as prescribed in section 16-311. Any person who does not file a timely nomination paper shall not be counted in the tally of ballots. The filing officer shall not accept the nomination paper of a candidate for state or local office unless it is accompanied by THE CANDIDATE PROVIDES OR HAS PROVIDED both of the following:
- 1. A political committee statement of organization or the five hundred dollar threshold exemption statement FOR THAT OFFICE.
- 2. The financial disclosure statement as prescribed for candidates for that office.
- C. The secretary of state shall notify the various boards of supervisors as to write-in candidates filing with the secretary of state's office. The county school superintendent shall notify the appropriate board of supervisors as to write-in candidates filing with the superintendent's office. The board of supervisors shall notify the appropriate election board inspector of all candidates who have properly filed such statements. In the case of a city or town election, the city or town clerk shall notify the appropriate election board inspector of candidates properly filed. No other write-ins shall be counted. The election board inspector shall post the notice of official write-in candidates in a conspicuous location within the polling place.

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- D. Except as provided in section 16-343, subsection E, a candidate may not file pursuant to this section if any of the following applies:
- 1. For a candidate in the general election, the candidate ran in the immediately preceding primary election and failed to be nominated to the office sought in the current election.
- 2. For a candidate in the general election, the candidate filed a nomination petition for the immediately preceding primary election for the office sought and failed to provide a sufficient number of valid petition signatures as prescribed by section 16-322.
- 3. For a candidate in the primary election, the candidate filed a nomination petition for the current primary election for the office sought and failed to provide a sufficient number of valid petition signatures as prescribed by section 16-322.
- E. A person who files a nomination paper pursuant to this section for the office of president of the United States shall designate in writing to the secretary of state at the time of filing the name of the candidate's vice-presidential running mate, the names of presidential electors who will represent that candidate and a statement signed by the vice-presidential running mate and designated presidential electors that indicates their consent to be designated. A nomination paper for each presidential elector designated shall be filed with the candidate's nomination paper. The number of presidential electors shall equal the number of United States senators and representatives in Congress from this state.
 - Sec. 8. Section 16-341, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

 16-341. Nomination petition; method and time of filing; form;
 qualifications and number of petitioners required
- A. Any qualified elector who is not a registered member of a political party that is recognized pursuant to this title may be nominated as a candidate for public office otherwise than by primary election or by party committee pursuant to this section.
- B. The provisions of this article shall not be used to place on the general election ballot the name of a political party which fails to meet the qualifications specified in section 16-802 or 16-804, or the name of any candidate representing such party or the name of a candidate who has filed a nomination petition in the immediately preceding primary election and has failed to qualify as the result of an insufficient number of valid signatures.
- C. A nomination petition stating the name of the office to be filled, the name and residence of the candidate and other information required by this section shall be filed at the same time and with the same officer with whom primary nomination papers and petitions are required to be filed as prescribed in section 16-311. The petition shall be signed only by voters who have not signed the nomination petitions of a candidate for the office to be voted for at that primary election.

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1		D. The nomination petition shall be in substantially the following
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3		"The undersigned, qualified electors of county,
4		state of Arizona, do hereby nominate, who resides at
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6		office of at the general (or special, as the case may
7		be) election to be held on the day of
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9		I hereby declare that I have not signed the
10		nomination petitions of any candidate for the office
11		to be voted for at this primary election, and I do
12		hereby select the following designation under which
13		name the said candidate shall be placed on the
14		official ballot (here insert such designation not
15		exceeding three words in length as the signers may
16		select)."

- E. The nomination petition shall conform as nearly as possible to the provisions relating to nomination petitions of candidates to be voted for at primary elections and shall be signed by at least three per cent of the qualified electors of the state, county, subdivision or district for which the candidate is nominated who are not members of a political party that is qualified to be represented by an official party ballot at the next ensuing primary election and accorded representation on the general election ballot.
- F. The percentage of qualified electors necessary to sign the nomination petition shall be determined by the total number of registered voters from other than political parties that are qualified to be represented by an official party ballot at the next ensuing primary election and accorded representation on the general election ballot in the state, county, subdivision or district at the last general election.
- G. For the purposes of this section, a nomination petition for the office of presidential elector shall include a group of names of candidates equal to the number of United States senators and representatives in Congress from this state instead of separate nomination petitions for each candidate for the office of presidential elector. A valid signature on a petition containing a group of presidential electors candidates is counted as a signature for the nomination of each of the candidates. The presidential candidate whom the candidates for presidential elector will represent shall designate in writing to the secretary of state the names of the candidates who will represent the presidential candidate before any signatures for the candidate can be accepted for filing.
- H. A person who files a nomination paper pursuant to this section for the office of president of the United States shall designate in writing to the secretary of state at the time of filing the name of the candidate's vice-presidential running mate, the names of the presidential electors who will represent that candidate and a statement THAT IS signed by the

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vice-presidential running mate and the designated presidential electors AND that indicates their consent to be designated. A nomination paper for each presidential elector designated shall be filed with the candidate's nomination paper. The number of presidential electors shall equal the number of United States senators and representatives in Congress from this state.

- I. A candidate who does not file a timely nomination petition that complies with this section is not eligible to have the candidate's name printed on the official ballot for that office. The filing officer shall not accept the nomination paper of a candidate for state or local office unless it is accompanied by THE CANDIDATE PROVIDES OR HAS PROVIDED all of the following:
 - 1. The nomination petition required by this title.
- 2. A political committee statement of organization or the five hundred dollar threshold exemption statement FOR THAT OFFICE.
- 3. The financial disclosure statement as prescribed for candidates for that office.
 - Sec. 9. Section 16-466, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-466. Ballots, ballot labels and ballot screens:

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- A. Ballots, and ballot labels shall AND BALLOT SCREENS, as far as practicable, SHALL be in the same order of arrangement as provided for paper ballots, except that such information may be printed in vertical or horizontal rows, or in a number of separate pages which OR SCREENS THAT are placed OR DISPLAYED on the voting device.
- B. Ballot labels shall be printed in plain clear type in black ink and, for use in a general election, upon clear white materials and be of such size and arrangement as to fit the construction of the voting device or the vote tabulating equipment. Ballots prepared for use in a primary election shall be printed on material of a different color designation for each political party represented. Ballots may contain printed code marks or punched holes which may be used for placing the ballots in correct reading positions in counting devices. The code marks or punched holes shall not be used in any way that will reveal the identity of the voters voting the ballot.
- C. The titles of offices may be arranged in vertical columns or in a series of separate pages OR SCREENS and shall be printed above or at the side of the names of candidates so as to indicate clearly the candidates for each office and the number to be elected. In case there are more candidates for an office than can be printed in one column or on one ballot page OR SCREEN, the ballot label shall be clearly marked that the list of candidates is continued on the following column, or page OR SCREEN, and insofar as may be practicable, the same number of names shall be printed on each column, or page OR SCREEN.
- D. In primary and nonpartisan elections the names of candidates for each office shall appear on the ballot, or ballot labels OR BALLOT SCREENS

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so that each candidate occupies each position on the ballot or ballot labels substantially the same number of times insofar as may be practicable. If there are fewer or the same number of candidates seeking office than the number to be elected, rotation of names shall not be required and the names shall be placed in alphabetical order.

- E. In primary elections for a judicial office if there are two or more candidates of the same political party their names shall be alternated on the ballots OR BALLOT SCREENS so that the name of each candidate shall appear substantially an equal number of times in each possible location on the ballot OR SCREEN.
- F. Two sample ballots, which shall be facsimile copies of the official ballot or ballot labels, shall be provided for each polling place and shall be posted on election day as provided for paper ballots. Sample ballots may be printed on a single page or on a number of pages stapled together.

Sec. 10. Section 16-584, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-584. Qualified elector not on precinct register; recorder's certificate; verified ballot; procedure

- A. A qualified elector whose name is not on the precinct register and who presents a certificate from the county recorder showing that he THE ELECTOR is entitled by law to vote in the precinct shall be entered on the signature roster on the blank following the last printed name and shall be given the next consecutive register number, and the qualified elector shall sign in the space provided.
- B. A qualified elector whose name is not on the precinct register, upon presentation of identification verifying the identity of the elector that includes the voter's given name and surname and the complete residence address that is verified by the election board to be in the precinct or on signing an affirmation that states that the elector is a registered voter in that jurisdiction and is eligible to vote in that jurisdiction, shall be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.
- C. If a voter has moved to a new address within the county and has not notified the county recorder of the change of address before the date of an election, the voter shall be permitted to correct the voting records for purposes of voting in future elections at the appropriate polling place for the voter's new address. The voter shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot. The voter shall present a form of identification that includes the voter's given name and surname and the voter's complete residence address. The residence address must be within the precinct in which the voter is attempting to vote, and the voter shall affirm in writing that the voter is registered in that jurisdiction and is eligible to vote in that jurisdiction.
- D. On completion of the ballot, the election official shall remove the ballot stub, shall place the ballot in a provisional ballot envelope and shall deposit the envelope in the ballot box. Within TEN CALENDAR DAYS AFTER A GENERAL ELECTION THAT INCLUDES AN ELECTION FOR A FEDERAL OFFICE AND WITHIN

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five business days after the ANY OTHER election or no later than the time at which challenged early voting ballots are resolved, the signature shall be compared to the precinct signature roster of the former precinct where the voter was registered. If the voter's name is not signed on the roster and if there is no indication that the voter voted an early ballot, the provisional ballot envelope shall be opened and the ballot shall be counted. If there is information showing the person did vote, the provisional ballot shall remain unopened and shall not be counted. When provisional ballots are confirmed for counting, the county recorder shall use the information supplied on the provisional ballot envelope to correct the address record of the voter.

- E. When a voter is allowed to vote a provisional ballot, the elector's name shall be entered on a separate signature roster page at the end of the signature roster. Voters' names shall be numbered consecutively beginning with the number V-1. The elector shall sign in the space provided. The ballot stub shall be removed and the ballot shall be placed in a separate envelope, the outside of which shall contain the precinct name or number, a sworn or attested statement of the elector that the elector resides in the precinct, is eligible to vote in the election and has not previously voted in the election, the signature of the elector and THE voter registration number of the elector, if available. Such THE ballot shall be verified for proper registration of the elector by the county recorder before being counted. Such THE verification shall be made by the county recorder within five business days following the election, and the voter receipt card, notification or identification card, if any, from the county recorder used therefor, if valid, shall be returned to the elector within a reasonable time thereafter. Verified ballots shall be counted by depositing the ballot in the ballot box and showing on the records of the election that the elector has voted. If registration is not verified the ballot shall remain unopened and shall be retained in the same manner as voted ballots.
- F. For any person who votes a provisional ballot, the county recorder or other officer in charge of elections shall provide for a method of notifying the provisional ballot voter at no cost to the voter whether the voter's ballot was verified and counted and, if not counted, the reason for not counting the ballot. The notification may be in the form of notice by mail to the voter, establishment of a toll free telephone number, internet access or other similar method to allow the voter to have access to this information. The method of notification shall provide reasonable restrictions that are designed to limit transmittal of the information only to the voter.
 - Sec. 11. Section 16-592, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-592. Proceedings on challenge; disposition of ballot; failure to be sworn or answer

A. Upon challenge being made, IF the person challenged, if he appears to be registered, THE PERSON shall take and subscribe to the oath prescribed

in the "affidavit of registration" and, if he THE PERSON so elects, may be at once sworn to answer fully and truly all questions material to the challenge as are put to him THE PERSON by the inspector. Any returned United States mail addressed to the person challenged. OR the spouse of the person challenged, or both, and to the address appearing on the precinct register or affidavit shall be considered as sufficient grounds to proceed under this section.

- B. If after the examination on the challenge, a majority of the election board is satisfied that the challenge is not valid, the person challenged shall be permitted to vote, otherwise not, and the ballot, if he has received one, shall without examination be at once destroyed in his presence by the inspector.
- C. If the person challenged refuses to be sworn or affirmed, or refuses to answer questions material to the challenge OR IF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTION BOARD FINDS THAT THE CHALLENGE IS VALID, he THE PERSON CHALLENGED shall not be allowed BE PERMITTED TO vote A PROVISIONAL BALLOT PURSUANT TO SECTION 16-584.
 - Sec. 12. Section 16-664, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-664. Recount of votes by automatic tabulating system
- A. In the event of a court-ordered recount of votes which THAT were cast and tabulated on electronic voting equipment for a state primary, state general or state special election, the secretary of state shall order the ballots recounted on an automatic tabulating system to be furnished and programmed by UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF the secretary of state. In the event of a court-ordered recount for elections other than for the office of supervisor, the secretary of state may designate the county board of supervisors to perform the duties assigned to the secretary of state.
- B. If the office of secretary of state is contested, the governor shall order the ballots recounted on an automatic tabulating system to be furnished and programmed at the direction UNDER THE SUPERVISION of the governor.
- C. The programs to be used in the recount of votes pursuant to this section shall differ from the programs prescribed by section 16-445 and used in the initial tabulation of the votes.
 - Sec. 13. Section 16-913, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-913. Campaign finance reports; reporting of receipts and disbursements; exemptions; civil penalty
- A. Except as provided in subsection K of this section, each political committee shall file campaign finance reports setting forth the committee's receipts and disbursements according to the schedule prescribed in subsections B and C of this section.
- B. In any calendar year during which there is a regularly scheduled election at which any candidates, measures, questions or propositions appear or may appear on the ballot, the political committee shall file each of the following campaign finance reports:

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- 1. A report covering the period beginning January 1 through May 31, filed no later than June 30.
- 2. A preelection report, which shall be filed not less than twelve days before any election and which shall be complete through the twentieth day before the election.
- 3. A postelection report, which shall be filed not more than thirty days after any election and which shall be complete through the twentieth day after the election.
- C. In any other calendar year, the political committee shall file a report covering the period beginning twenty-one days after the date of the election in the preceding calendar year through December 31 of the nonelection year filed no later than January 31 of the following calendar year.
- D. In the event that a political committee receives no contributions and makes no expenditures during a period in which it is required to file a campaign finance report, the committee treasurer or if the treasurer is unavailable the candidate may, in lieu of filing a report required by subsection B of this section, MAY sign and file a form prescribed by the secretary of state indicating no activity during the specific reporting period.
- E. In lieu of the reports prescribed in subsections B and C of this section, a candidate's political committee that remains active after an election due to outstanding debts may file a document no later than January 31 in a form prescribed by the secretary of state that states that the committee does not intend to receive any contributions or make any expenditures during the year. If a candidate's political committee does receive a contribution or make an expenditure during that year, the committee shall report as prescribed by subsection B or C of this section.
- F. A judge who has filed a declaration of his THE desire to be retained in office is exempt from filing any report required by this section if the judge, not later than twelve days before the general election, files a statement signed and sworn to by him THE JUDGE certifying that he THE JUDGE has received no contributions, has made no expenditures and has no campaign committee and that he THE JUDGE does not intend to receive contributions, make expenditures or have a campaign committee for the purpose of influencing the result of the vote on the question of his THE JUDGE'S retention. With respect to superior court judges, a statement filed pursuant to this subsection is effective until the earlier of twelve days before the third general election following the filing of this statement or the judge receives contributions, makes expenditures or authorizes a campaign committee. Such a statement filed by a supreme court justice or a court of appeals judge is effective until the earlier of twelve days before the fourth general election following the filing of this statement or the justice or judge receives contributions, makes expenditures or authorizes a campaign committee.

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- G. Reports in connection with special or recall elections shall conform to the filing deadlines set forth in subsection B of this section.
- H. Except as provided in section 16-916, subsection B and subsection K of this section, a political committee shall comply with the requirements of this section in each jurisdiction in this state in which the committee has filed a statement of organization until the committee terminates pursuant to section 16-914, and its statements, designations and reports shall be filed with each officer with whom it has filed a statement of organization, as appropriate.
- I. Each report required to be filed pursuant to this section shall be signed by the committee treasurer or the candidate or the designating individual if the treasurer is unavailable and shall contain the certification of the signer under penalty of perjury that the report is true and complete.
- J. A political committee and the candidate, in the case of a candidate's campaign committee, or the designating individual, in the case of an exploratory committee, who violate this section are subject to the penalty prescribed in section 16-918.
- K. A standing political committee shall file reports with the secretary of state and is exempt from filing a report with any other jurisdiction in which it is active. The reports shall be in an electronic format as prescribed by the secretary of state and shall be filed by delivery of a computer diskette or cd-rom that contains the report or by use of the internet. The secretary of state shall promptly make the reports available to the public on the internet and on paper by request. The standing committee shall file the following reports:
- 1. A report covering the period beginning January 1 through May 31, filed not later than June 30.
- 2. 1. A preelection report that is due as prescribed by subsection B, paragraph 2 of this section shall be filed for each consolidated election date prescribed by section 16-204.
- 3. 2. A postelection report that is due as prescribed by subsection B, paragraph 3 of this section shall be filed for each consolidated election date prescribed by section 16-204.
- 4. 3. An annual report that is due by January 31 in the year immediately following the calendar year that is the subject of the report.
 - Sec. 14. Section 16-917, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 16-917. Independent expenditures; in-kind contribution; civil penalty

A. A political committee that makes independent expenditures for literature or an advertisement relating to any one candidate or office within ten days before the day of any election to which the expenditures relate, shall send by certified mail a copy of the campaign literature or advertisement to each candidate named or otherwise referred to in the literature or advertisement twenty-four hours before AFTER depositing it at

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the post office for mailing, twenty-four hours before AFTER submitting it to a telecommunications system for broadcast or twenty-four hours before AFTER submitting it to a newspaper for printing.

- B. The copy of the literature or advertisement sent to a candidate pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be a reproduction that is clearly readable, viewable or audible.
- C. An expenditure by a political committee or a person that does not meet the definition of an independent expenditure is an in-kind contribution to the candidate and a corresponding expenditure by the candidate unless otherwise exempted.
- D. A person who violates this section is subject to a civil penalty of three times the cost of the literature or advertisement that was distributed in violation of this section. This civil penalty shall be imposed as prescribed in section 16-924.

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